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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Colonel White, Mr. Helms, Mr. Sheldon, [redacted]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Noted a State cable indicating a Soviet plan to collectivize East German farming communities, and commented we might get some PP play out of this -- it takes about six times as many people under the Soviet plan to produce 75% of that which the U. S. raises under the free enterprise system.

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b. [redacted]

[redacted] commented that maybe the time had come when he should sit down with the Secretaries of State and Defense and hammer out once and for all whether U. S. intelligence agencies other than CIA will engage in clandestine operations abroad. Mr. Bissell noted that we have received a number of requests from the Army for permission to conduct such activities in various areas of the world, and so far we had been handling these on a case-by-case basis. He also noted that before any discussions are held at high levels, the Agency should decide on the policy and line to be followed. No decision was made on any action at the moment.

MR. AMORY:

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